BEACON HILL

Trash & Recycling Collection
Schedule Change

Cleanliness Requirements and Tips

Residential Trash / Recycling

- **Beginning July 1, 2014, Beacon Hill residential trash and recycling will be collected on Mondays and Fridays only. Please note the added recycling day. Trash will no longer be collected on Wednesdays.**
  - Trash must be placed for collection no later than 7:00AM on the scheduled day. Trash/Recycling cannot be placed curbside for pickup any earlier than 5 PM on the preceding evening. However, residents are urged to place trash out on the morning of pick-up by 7:00am, rather than the night before. This will significantly reduce the opportunity for spillage and rodent foraging.
  - It is illegal to place residential trash at street corners. Trash must be placed on the curbside in front of the residence.
  - **Properly and securely containing your trash and recycling is critical to keeping your neighborhood clean.** Trash must be placed in a container with a lid or a sturdy trash bag. Many kitchen trash bags are too thin and not compliant. The use of open grocery bags is not allowed.
  - Beacon Hill has single-stream recycling and all eligible recycling materials can now be co-mingled and placed out for collection in a clear plastic bag. These are available at most retail supermarkets. The City has formally discontinued distribution of the small recycling blue bins and encourages neighbors to use only the clear plastic bags for their recycling.
  - It is illegal to utilize City sidewalk litter barrels or solar-powered compactors for the disposal of residential or commercial trash and carries a fine of up to $1,000 per day. No building or construction materials shall be put out for residential collection.
  - Failure to comply with the above regulations will result in fines issued by the Code Enforcement Division. Offenses may be reported to the Mayor’s Hotline at 617-635-4500.
  - Comprehensive trash and recycling guidelines, including a listing of recyclables can be found at [www.cityofboston.gov/publicworks](http://www.cityofboston.gov/publicworks).

**General Cleanliness**

- Residents and merchants are responsible for picking up any loose litter on the sidewalk and gutter areas in front of their homes.
- Dumpsters must have lids and be closed at all times.
- Pet owners are responsible for picking up after their pets. Poop bags MUST be properly disposed of and not left on the sidewalk.

**Reporting City Service Requests**

Residents can report service requests on a wide variety of maintenance and other City-related issues in your neighborhood.

- Through the Citizens Connect program, residents can use their mobile phones in five different ways to alert the City of Boston to neighborhood issues such as potholes and graffiti. For application download and to start reporting, please access Citizens Connect at the City's website at [www.cityofboston.gov](http://www.cityofboston.gov).
- Residents can also call the Mayor's Hotline at 617-635-4500 or report on-line service requests at [www.cityofboston.gov](http://www.cityofboston.gov). All available 24/7/365.
- Residents can register for electronic posted street sweeping schedule reminders by accessing the NO-TOW link at [www.cityofboston.gov/publicworks](http://www.cityofboston.gov/publicworks).